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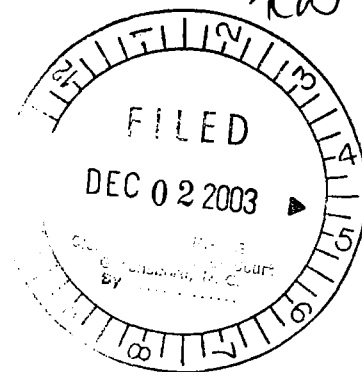
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )  
for the Use and Benefit of )  
COKEN COMPANY, INC., )

Plaintiff, )

v. )

CIVIL NO. 1:03CV00222

NATIONAL UNION FIRE INSURANCE )  
COMPANY OF PITTSBURGH, PA; )  
SEABOARD SURETY COMPANY; )  
ST. PAUL FIRE AND MARINE )  
INSURANCE COMPANY; and FEDERAL )  
INSURANCE COMPANY, )

Defendants. )

O R D E R

BULLOCK, District Judge

For the reasons set forth in the memorandum opinion filed contemporaneously herewith,

IT IS ORDERED that Defendants' motion [Doc. #6-1] to dismiss for improper venue is **DENIED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this action is **TRANSFERRED** to the United States District Court for the District of Maryland pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a). The Clerk shall forward the record in this case to the United States District Court for the District of Maryland.

December , 2003

  
United States District Judge